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Spring man receives contempt of court judgment for violating permanent injunction

AUSTIN – A Spring man has signed an agreed order of contempt and been fined \$500 for violating a permanent injunction keeping him from advertising, performing or offering to perform electrical work in Texas without a license. The contempt order was signed on June 25, 2019.

In late 2018, Joshua J. Holloway violated a permanent injunction that had been issued in state district court on June 11, 2018, by offering to perform electrical work.

The Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation brought the case back to state district court to petition for an order of contempt against Holloway. During a hearing in June, Holloway admitted that he had violated the permanent injunction and agreed to pay a \$500 fine.

"Consumer safety is a top priority at the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation," said Brian E. Francis, TDLR Executive Director. "Whether it's a revocation, cease and desist order, or permanent injunction, people working in professions and industries without the proper license can pose a risk to your health, your safety, and your wallet. Always check with TDLR first to make sure the person you hire is on the level."

To check whether an electrician is licensed, consumers can check the TDLR website: https://www.tdlr.texas.gov/verify.htm. Consumers can also see ALL violations, including license revocations, suspensions, and fines, by searching TDLR's Administrative Orders database (https://www.tdlr.texas.gov/cimsfo/fosearch.asp).

To report unlicensed activity, file a complaint online: https://www.tdlr.texas.gov/complaints/.

About TDLR

TDLR provides regulatory oversight for a broad range of occupations, businesses, facilities, and equipment in Texas. The agency protects the health and safety of Texans by ensuring they are served by qualified, licensed professionals. Inspections of individuals, businesses, and equipment are done on a regular basis to safeguard the public. Currently, the agency regulates 39 business and occupational licensing programs with more than 800,000 licensees across the state.

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